

PROVIDING FOR CONSIDERATION OF THE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION (H. CON. RES. 63) DISAPPROVING OF THE DECISION OF THE PRESIDENT ANNOUNCED ON JANUARY 10, 2007, TO DEPLOY MORE THAN 20,000 ADDITIONAL UNITED STATES COMBAT TROOPS TO IRAQ

FEBRUARY 12, 2007.—Referred to the House Calendar and ordered to be printed

Ms. SLAUGHTER, from the Committee on Rules,
submitted the following

R E P O R T

[To accompany H. Res. 157]

The Committee on Rules, having had under consideration House Resolution 157, by a record vote of 9 to 4, report the same to the House with the recommendation that the resolution be adopted.

SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS OF THE RESOLUTION

The resolution provides for consideration of H. Con. Res. 63, disapproving of the decision of the President announced on January 10, 2007, to deploy more than 20,000 additional United States combat troops to Iraq, in the House under a closed rule. The concurrent resolution shall be considered as read. The resolution provides for general debate on the concurrent resolution not beyond midnight on Tuesday, February 13, 2007, not beyond midnight on Wednesday, February 14, 2007, and 12 hours of debate beginning on Thursday, February 15, 2007. The debate is equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and the Minority Leader or their designees. The resolution provides that the Majority Leader at any time, after consultation with the Minority Leader, may extend the debate for an additional hour to be equally divided and controlled by the Majority Leader and Minority Leader or their designees.

The rule waives all points of order against consideration of the concurrent resolution and provides that the concurrent resolution shall be considered as read. The rule provides one motion to recommit which may not contain instructions. Finally, it provides that the Chair may postpone further consideration of the concurrent resolution to a time designated by the Speaker.

EXPLANATION OF WAIVERS

The Committee is not aware of any points of order against consideration of the concurrent resolution. The waiver of all points of order against consideration of the concurrent resolution is prophylactic in nature.

COMMITTEE VOTES

The results of each record vote on an amendment or motion to report, together with the names of those voting for and against, are printed below:

Rules Committee record vote No. 44

Date: February 12, 2007.

Measure: H. Con. Res. 63.

Motion by: Mr. Diaz-Balart.

Summary of motion: To report an open rule.

Results: Defeated 4–9.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Welch—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Diaz-Balart—Yea; Hastings (WA)—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 45

Date: February 12, 2007.

Measure: H. Con. Res. 63.

Motion by: Mr. Hastings (WA).

Summary of motion: To make in order and provide appropriate waivers for an amendment in the nature of a substitute by Rep. Wolf (VA), #5, which resolves that Congress supports the recommendations of the Iraq Study Group as the new strategy for dealing with the war in Iraq.

Results: Defeated 4–9.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Welch—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Diaz-Balart—Yea; Hastings (WA)—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 46

Date: February 12, 2007.

Measure: H. Con. Res. 63.

Motion by: Mr. Sessions.

Summary of motion: To make in order and provide appropriate waivers for an amendment in the nature of a substitute by Rep. Sam Johnson (TX), #6, which strikes the language of the concurrent resolution, and instead provides a new text, establishing the policy that Congress and the American people will continue to support and protect, and also will not cut off or restrict funding for, members of the Armed Forces who are serving or who have served bravely and honorably in Iraq.

Results: Defeated 4–9.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Welch—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Diaz-Balart—Yea; Hastings (WA)—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 47

Date: February 12, 2007.

Measure: H. Con. Res. 63.

Motion by: Mr. Dreier.

Summary of motion: To strike the portion of the rule that blocks the divisibility of the question on the resolution.

Results: Defeated 4–9.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Nay; Hastings (FL)—Nay; Matsui—Nay; Cardoza—Nay; Welch—Nay; Castor—Nay; Arcuri—Nay; Sutton—Nay; Dreier—Yea; Diaz-Balart—Yea; Hastings (WA)—Yea; Sessions—Yea; Slaughter—Nay.

Rules Committee record vote No. 48

Date: February 12, 2007.

Measure: H. Con. Res. 63.

Motion by: Mr. McGovern.

Summary of motion: To report the rule.

Results: Adopted 9–4.

Vote by Members: McGovern—Yea; Hastings (FL)—Yea; Matsui—Yea; Cardoza—Yea; Welch—Yea; Castor—Yea; Arcuri—Yea; Sutton—Yea; Dreier—Nay; Diaz-Balart—Nay; Hastings (WA)—Nay; Sessions—Nay; Slaughter—Yea.